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Title : PROCESS FOR ETCHING A CONTROLLABLE THICKNESS OF OXIDE ON AN INTEGRATED CIRCUIT STRUCTURE ON A SEMICONDUCTOR SUBSTRATE USING NITROGEN PLASMA AND AN RF BIAS APPLIED TO THE SUBSTRATE

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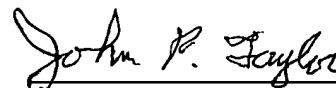
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Sir:

Applicants' attorney, John P. Taylor, represents that LSI Logic Corporation, a California Corporation having a mailing address of 1551 McCarthy Boulevard, Milpitas, California 95035, by an assignment recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) at Reel

10483, Frame 0301 on December 15, 1999, is the assignee of the entire right, title, and interest in and to the subject matter of the above-identified U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/464,297, and that, in accordance with the provisions of Public Law 98-622, the applicants, Sheldon Aronowitz, Valeriy Sukharev, John Haywood, James P. Kimball, Helmut Puchner, Ravindra Manohar Kapre, and Nicholas Eib, at the time the invention claimed therein was made, were under an employment contract to assign all their rights in and to any such inventions to their employer, LSI Logic Corporation.

Applicants' attorney further represents that, by an assignment recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) at Reel 9341, Frame 0730 on July 22, 1998, LSI Logic Corporation is the assignee of the entire right, title, and interest in and to the subject matter of U.S. Patent No. 6,156,620, and that, in accordance with the provisions of Public Law 98-622, at the time the invention claimed in said U.S. Patent No. 6,156,620 was made, the inventors named in said U.S. Patent No. 6,156,620, Helmut Puchner, Shih-Fen Huang, and Sheldon Aronowitz, were each under an employment contract to assign all their rights in and to any such inventions to their employer, LSI Logic Corporation.



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